

House Special Committee on School Safety

Minutes of Meeting
2022 - 2023 Interim
December 15, 2022

I. CALL ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Thomas A. Pressly, chairman
Representative Lance Harris
Representative John R. Illg, Jr.
Representative Patrick O. Jefferson
Representative Sam L. Jenkins, Jr.
Representative Vanessa Caston LaFleur
Representative Buddy Mincey, Jr.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Jason Hughes
Representative Larry Selders
Representative William "Bill" Wheat, Jr.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Elizabeth L. Borne, legislative analyst
Lisa Lovello, legislative analyst
Alexandra Cravins, committee administrative assistant

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Myrtis Jarrell, sergeant at arms
Faye Talbot, sergeant at arms

III. BUSINESS

To discuss school safety issues as provided in House Resolution No. 236 of the 2022 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, including presentations on mental health and law enforcement issues with respect to school safety

Jason Ard, Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office, no address provided, (225) 686-2241, spoke for information only on school safety issues.

Rodney J. Madere, St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office, 260 Judge Edward Dufresne Parkway, Luling, LA 70070, (985) 783-1135, spoke for information only on school safety issues.

Michael Ranatza, Louisiana Sheriff's Association, 1175 Nicholson Drive, Baton Rouge, LA, (225) 343-8402, spoke for information only on school safety issues.

Brandi Gonzales, Tangipahoa Parish Schools, 59656 Puleston Road, Amite, LA 70422, (985) 748-2428, spoke for information only on school safety issues and presented a PowerPoint, "Mental Health and School Safety", labeled Exhibit A in the committee records.

Darlene Cusanza, Crimestoppers, no address provided, (504) 837-8477, spoke for information only on school safety issues and presented a PowerPoint, "Crimestoppers Outreach: PSA", labeled Exhibit B in the committee records. Ms. Cusanza provided the following handouts:

- "Safe Schools Louisiana App Information", labeled Exhibit C in the committee records.
- "Crimestoppers Safe Schools Louisiana Example Posters", labeled Exhibits D and E in the committee records.

IV. CONSIDERATION OF ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

There were no other matters.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Thomas A. Pressly
House Special Committee on School Safety

Date adopted: